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SUBJECT: MASSIVE LEADERSHIPTURNOUT EMPHASIZES UNITY AND  
PRODUCTION EFFORT

REF: PEKING 1730

1. A MAJOR CONFERENCE OF "ADVANCED UNITS AND INDIVIDUALS"  
HELD ON SEPTEMBER 1 TO DISCUSS AND PRAISE ANTI-QUAKE RE-  
LIEF EFFORTS BROUGHT TOGETHER THE LARGEST PUBLIC GATHER-  
ING OF PEKING'S LEADERS SINCE CHU TEH'S FUNERAL IN JULY.  
PRESIDED OVER BY PARTY VICE CHAIRMAN WANG HUNG-WEN, THE  
GREAT HALL OF THE PEOPLE'S CONFERENCE TURNOUT APPEARS AT  
LEAST PARTIALLY DESIGNED TO CAPITALIZE ON EARTHQUAKE RE-  
COVERY SUCCESSES AND TO CONVEY AN IMPRESSION OF UNITY  
AMONG PARTY LEADERS TO THE POPULACE. ALL POLITBURO MEMBERS,  
EXCEPT THOSE BASED IN THE PROVINCES AND THE AILING MAO  
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AND LIU PO-CHENG WERE PRESENT. (THE PRESENCE OF MAO BODY-

GUARD WANG TUNG-HSING AMONG THE LEADERS SEEMS TO INDICATE THAT THE CHAIRMAN REMAINS IN PEKING, CONTRARY TO RECENT PRESS STORIES.)

2. IN HIS FIRST PUBLIC DOMESTIC POLICY SPEECH SINCE BECOMING PREMIER, HUA KUO-FENG MAKES NUMEROUS REFERENCES TO WORKERS, CADRES, PEASANTS, AND PLA ELEMENTS HAVING "FOUGHT IN UNIT" AND OF PEKING'S INTENT TO PROMOTE FURTHER "REVOLUTIONARY UNITY" BY CONTINUED COOPERATION. THE SPEECH CONTINUES THE HEAVY EMPHASIS GIVEN TO THE PLA'S ROLE IN RELIEF WORK AND ADDS THE MILITARY COMMISSION AS ONE OF THE COMPONENT SPONSORS OF HUA'S SPEECH. BY CONTRAST, THE MILITIA IS GIVEN SHORT SHRIFT, MENTIONED ONLY WITH PUBLIC SECURITY FORCES AS HAVING "HELPED" IN MAINTAINING PUBLIC ORDER (HK 10253).

3. NEVERTHELESS, HUA MAKES A NUMBER OF REFERENCES TO "SABOTAGE ACTIVITIES" AND THE "SPREADING OF RUMORS" AND URGES THAT THE MASSES BE MOBILIZED TO STRUGGLE AGAINST THOSE RESPONSIBLE, THE "CLASS ENEMIES." THE LANGUAGE USED CLOSELY RESEMBLES REFERENCES WHICH HAVE APPEARED RECENTLY IN PROVINCIAL MEDIA WITH HUA'S MENTION OF PUNISHMENT "ACCORDING TO THE LAW" (HK 10308) AFFIRMING BOTH SECURITY PROBLEMS IN THE AFFECTED AREAS AS WELL AS THE LIKELIHOOD THAT HUA'S STATEMENT IS A CARBON OF SOME EARLIER CENTER INSTRUCTIONS (HK 10292).

4. PERHAPS THE MOST STRIKING ASPECT OF THE SPEECH IS ITS APPARENT LOW-KEY APPROACH TO THE ANTI-TENG CAMPAIGN. TO BE SURE, HUA TOUCHES ALL THE NECESSARY POLITICAL BASES ON CAMPAIGN ISSUES, BUT THE SPEECH'S DEMANDS, LINKING THE CAMPAIGN AND "CONCRETE ACTION", SEEM PRIMARILY AIMED AT EXPANDING RELIEF WORK AND THE RESUMPTION OF A FULL-SCALE PRODUCTION DRIVE ACROSS THE NATION (HK 9965). A SEPTEMBER 2 PEOPLE'S DAILY EDITORIAL ON EARTHQUAKE RELIEF WORK HAS BEEN MENTIONED BY PEKING RADIO (TEXT NOT AVAILABLE HERE) WHICH PRESUMABLY PARALLELS HUA'S SPEECH.  
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